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4. (Once Amended) The dermatological agent of claim 1, wherein the mono- or poly- hydroxy acid is selected from the group consisting of glycolic acid, lactic acid, citric acid, salicylic acid, and mixtures thereof.

5. (Twice Amended) The dermatological agent of claim 1, wherein the hydrophobic agent is selected from the group consisting of ceramide, borage oil, tocopherol linoleate, dimethicone, glycerine, and mixtures thereof.

6. (Once Amended) The dermatological agent of claim 1, wherein the hydrophilic agent is selected from the group consisting hyaluronic acid, sodium peroxylinecarboic acid, wheat protein, hair keratin amino acids, and mixtures thereof.

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11. (Twice Amended) The dermatological agent of claim 1, wherein the manganese ascorbate is present in an amount from about 0.5 to 10 weight percent, and wherein manganese is present in an amount from about 5 to 20 weight percent of the ascorbate complex.

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25. (Once Amended) The dermatological agent of claim 1, wherein the at least one fruit extract is selected from the group consisting of apricots, apples, pears, peaches, pineapples, papayas, pomegranates, cherries, kiwis, tangerines, grapes, oranges, and mixtures thereof.

27. (Once Amended) The dermatological agent of claim 16, wherein the transition metal component comprises zinc.

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28. (Once Amended) A dermatological composition for managing a dermatological condition in a patient comprising:

at least one fruit extract from pomegranate in an amount sufficient to neutralize free radicals;

a hydrophobic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;

a hydrophilic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;

a mono- or poly-hydroxy acid or tannic acid moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to exfoliate at least a portion of the patient's skin;

copper sebacate; and

a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

29. (Once Amended) A dermatological composition for managing a dermatological condition in a patient comprising:

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at least one fruit extract from pomegranate in an amount sufficient to neutralize free radicals;
a hydrophobic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;
a hydrophilic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;
a mono- or poly-hydroxy acid or tannic acid moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to exfoliate at least a portion of the patient's skin;
selenium complexed with an amino acid; and
a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Please also add new claims 31-35 as follows:

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31. (New) A cream, lotion, or ointment comprising the dermatological agent of claim 1.

32. (New) The dermatological agent of claim 30, wherein the transition metal component comprises zinc.

33. (New) An orally-administered dermatological composition for managing a dermatological condition in a patient comprising:

at least one fruit extract from pomegranate in an amount sufficient to neutralize free radicals;

a hydrophobic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;

a hydrophilic moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to facilitate hydration of the patient's skin;

a mono- or poly-hydroxy acid or tannic acid moisturizing agent in an amount sufficient to exfoliate at least a portion of the patient's skin;

a first metal-containing compound comprising one or more of a manganese compound, a copper compound, and a selenium compound;

optionally, a second metal-containing compound comprising a transition metal component in an amount sufficient to inhibit or reduce inflammation; and

a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

34. (New) A topically-administered dermatological agent for managing a dermatological condition in a patient comprising: (a) at least one fruit extract from pomegranate in an amount sufficient to neutralize free radicals; (b) a hydrophilic moisturizing agent in an amount of about 0.01 to 2 weight percent; (c) a hydrophobic moisturizing agent in an amount of about 0.01 to 2 weight percent; (d) a mono- or poly-hydroxy acid or tannic acid

in an amount of about 0.01 to 12 weight percent; and (e) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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35. (New) A topically-administered dermatological agent for managing a dermatological condition in a patient comprising: (a) at least one fruit extract in an amount sufficient to neutralize free radicals; (b) a transition metal component in an amount sufficient to inhibit or reduce inflammation; (c) a hydrophilic moisturizing agent in an amount of about 0.01 to 2 weight percent; (d) a hydrophobic moisturizing agent in an amount of about 0.01 to 2 weight percent; (e) a mono- or poly-hydroxy acid or tannic acid in an amount of about 0.01 to 12 weight percent; and (f) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

A list of currently pending claims is attached hereto as Appendix B, for the Examiner's convenience.